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January 24, 2011

Mr. Charlie Webster  
Fire Management Officer  
US Forest Service  
Kootenai National Forest  
31374 US Highway 2  
Libby, MT 59923-3022

Re: Libby Asbestos Superfund Site,  
Operable Unit 3

Dear Charlie:

On behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 (EPA), I'm pleased to transmit the enclosed document "**Libby Asbestos Superfund Site, Operable Unit 3, Initial Screening Level Human Health Risk Assessment for Exposure to Asbestos**".

This document contains preliminary calculations of the risk to humans associated with exposure to Libby Amphibole asbestos in the Kootenai National Forest area of Operable Unit 3 of the Libby Asbestos Superfund Site. Please note that for several reasons explained in the document, this is not the final baseline risk assessment for Operable Unit 3. The intent of the document is to communicate what is currently known about the magnitude of risks associated with use of the forested areas of Operable Unit 3 and to identify any significant data gaps.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me by phone at (303)312-6579 or email at [Lavelle.bonita@epa.gov](mailto:Lavelle.bonita@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bonnie Lavelle", is written over a horizontal line.

Bonnie Lavelle  
Remedial Project Manager  
Operable Unit 3, Libby Asbestos Site

Enclosure



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